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(4) to (6) The following statement gives the information asked for :—
Projects in the Pennar Basin.

Number and name of project.	Estimated cost.	Extent to be irrigated.	Remarks.
1. Papaghni Reservoir project, Cuddapah district.	LAKHS. 42·08	10,000 acres wet and 17,300 acres dry.	A preliminary report on the scheme was submitted in 1905, but it was not sufficiently promising to justify its detailed investigation. Gauging observations are being made to determine whether the proposal deserves further investigation.
2. Lower Sagileru project, Cuddapah district.	2·35	4,164 acres first crop and 1,000 acres second crop.	The project was abandoned as it was not worth carrying out even as a famine-relief work as it would not pay its working expenses.
3. Upper Pennar project, Anantapur district.	23·84	14,250 acres.	The results of gaugings made for five years showed that the work was unsuitable as a famine-relief work as there was a risk that in a bad year it would not protect even a fair proportion of its area and that in a very bad year it would be a complete failure. Moreover the work estimated to cost Rs. 23·84 lakhs in 1906 could not be carried out for less than Rs. 40 lakhs. The project was therefore abandoned.
4. Dorigallu project, Cuddapah district.	18·65	5,000 acres.	These projects were abandoned as they did not fulfil the conditions of a productive, protective or even a famine-relief work.
5. Boggeru project, Nellore district.	9·48	1,638 ,,	
6. Yellanur Tank project, Anantapur district.	2·66	1,642 ,,	The project was completed in 1919 and is now in operation.
7. Ithodu project, Anantapur district.	3·60 (for 'Works').	732 ,,	The project did not satisfy the conditions of a productive work, nor was it suitable for famine-relief purposes. Moreover it was not on a secure basis as regards water-supply. The scheme was therefore abandoned.

Under Secretary, Local Self-Government department.

603 Q.—Mr. V. HAMID SULTAN MARAKKAYAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether the post of an additional Assistant Secretary was created in his department;

(b) whether the question of abolishing the post of Deputy or Under Secretary has been considered in that connexion as a measure of economy; and

(c) if so, when the post of the Deputy or Under Secretary is to be abolished?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) For the purpose of expediting the disposal of work in the Local Self-Government Secretariat a Deputy Secretary has been appointed temporarily, and, while that appointment lasts, an Assistant Secretary has been appointed in place of the Under Secretary.